IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

VIA EFS-WEB

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In re Application of:

Akihiro YOSHITANI, et al.

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AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION WITH PETITION FOR TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated 21 August 2007, this application has been amended as indicated below. This reply requires a one-month extension.

Applicants request a one-month extension, from 21 November 2007 to 21 December 2007, for replying to the outstanding Office Action. The extension fee is \$120. The required fee is addressed in the EFS-WEB generated fee transmittal. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required to maintain pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.